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U.S. DELEGATION WISHES TO CALL DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION TO
RESOLUTIONS ALREADY APPROVED CONCERNING FOLLOWING TOPICS:

A. ESTABLISHING NATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES: (BEGIN QUOTE)

1. THAT UNESCO SUGGEST TO THE STATES OF LATIN AMERICA
AND THE CARIBBEAN THE CREATION OF NATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES
WHEREVER THESE DO NOT EXIST, AND THE STRENGTHENING
OF THOSE THAT DO EXIST, AS A FIRST STEP IN THE GRADUAL
PROCESS OF CREATING THE LATIN AMERICAN NEWS AGENCY (ALAN).
ONCE THE NATIONAL AGENCIES HAVE BEEN SET UP, UNESCO MIGHT
PROMOTE THE SUB-REGIONAL AND ULTIMATELY REGIONAL INTEGRATION
OF ALAN.

2. THAT UNESCO SUGGEST TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE
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REGION THE GRANTING OF TECHNICAL FACILITIES,

ESPECIALLY IN THE FIELD OF TELECOMMUNICATION, IN ORDER TO GIVE CONCRETE SUPPORT TO THE EFFORTS TO FORM A LATIN AMERICAN NEWS AGENCY.

3. THAT UNESCO SUGGEST TO THE STATES OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN THAT ALL THE OTHER SPECIFIC INTEGRATION EFFORTS, SUCH AS THE LATIN AMERICAN ECONOMIC SYSTEM, THE UNION OF BANANA EXPORTING COUNTRIES, ETC., SHOULD INCORPORATE THEIR INFORMATION AND DISSEMINATION EFFORTS IN THE ABOVE-MENTIONED MOVEMENT TOWARDS INTEGRATION IN THE FIELD OF MASS COMMUNICATION.

4. THAT, ONCE THE ABOVE-MENTIONED STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN, UNESCO SHOULD CONVENE A HIGH-LEVEL MINISTERIAL MEETING WHICH WOULD TAKE THE DECISION TO ESTABLISH THE LATIN AMERICAN NEWS AGENCY (ALAN). (END QUOTE)

B. ESTABLISHING SATELLITE SYSTEM POLICIES: (BEGIN QUOTE)

1. TO MEET TO DEFINE A CONCERTED POLICY WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION CONTENT THAT SHOULD CIRCULATE VIA SATELLITE BETWEEN LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, AND BETWEEN OUR REGION AND OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

2. ESTABLISH WITHOUT DELAY A HIGH-CAPACITY TERRESTRIAL MICROWAVE AND SUBMARINE CABLE NETWORK THAT WILL LINK THE COUNTRIES OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN AND COMPLEMENT SATELLITE COMMUNICATION. (END QUOTE)
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